

Introduction: The Revealed Nature of God

This document examines the nature of God based exclusively on the text of the King James Bible. We affirm the full divinity of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost as revealed in scripture. We use only the biblical term "Godhead" (Acts 17:29; Romans 1:20; Colossians 2:9) and reject all post-biblical philosophical terms. Our purpose is to understand what is written, not to add to it.

I. The Oneness of God

The foundational truth of scripture is that there is one God.

- **Deuteronomy 6:4** ¶ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God is one LORD:
- **Isaiah 44:6** ¶ Thus saith the LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts; I am the first, and I am the last; and beside me there is no God.

The Hebrew word for "one" (*echad*) in Deuteronomy 6:4 can denote a compound unity, as seen in the union of man and wife.

- **Genesis 2:24** Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh.

II. Plural Language Concerning God in the Old Testament

Scripture uses plural language when God speaks, revealing distinctions within the one Godhead from the beginning.

A. At Creation and the Fall

- **Genesis 1:26** ¶ And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness...
- **Genesis 3:22** ¶ And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil...

B. At the Tower of Babel

- **Genesis 11:7** Go to, let us go down, and there confound their language...

C. Plural Titles for God

- **Ecclesiastes 12:1** ¶ Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth... (Hebrew: *Creators*)
- **Isaiah 54:5** For thy Maker is thine husband... (Hebrew: *Makers*)

D. Divine Counsel

- **Isaiah 6:8** Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.

III. The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Scriptural Distinctions

The Bible clearly distinguishes the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost in their works and words, while affirming their unity in the Godhead.

A. The Son Revealed in the Old Testament

- **Proverbs 30:4** Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what is his son's name, if thou canst tell?
- **Psalms 2:7** I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art my Son; this day have I begotten thee.

B. Divine Conversations in the Psalms

- **Psalms 45:6-7** ¶ Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre. Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.
- **Psalms 110:1** ¶ A Psalm of David. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.

C. Manifestation at the Baptism of Jesus

The Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are all present and acting distinctly.

- **Matthew 3:16-17** And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him: And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

D. The Lord's Teaching on the Father and the Comforter

- **John 14:16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;
- **John 14:26** But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

E. The Commission and Benediction

The final commission and apostolic blessing name the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost together, signifying their united authority and work.

- **Matthew 28:19** Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
- **2 Corinthians 13:14** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.

IV. The Divinity of Each Revealed in Scripture

The King James Bible explicitly attributes divinity to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

A. The Father is God

- **1 Peter 1:2** Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ...

B. The Son is God

- **John 1:1** ¶ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
- **1 Timothy 3:16** And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.
- **Hebrews 1:8** But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

C. The Holy Ghost is God

- **Acts 5:3-4** But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? ...thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.
- **Hebrews 9:14** How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

V. Conclusion: Upholding the Biblical Godhead

The scriptures reveal one God, who exists with eternal and real distinctions as Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. This is the doctrine of the Godhead. This truth is understood not by human philosophy or tradition, but by the plain words of the King James Bible. We must therefore affirm what is written and reject all terms and doctrines of men that go beyond it.